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| 0 | ALAN LI; AND, RF BIOTECH LLC | |
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| 8 | UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT | |
| 9 | NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA | |
| 10 | SAN FRANCISCO DIVISION | |
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| 11 | QUINTARA BIOSCIENCES, INC., a California corporation, | Case No. 3:20-cv-04808-WHA |
| 12 | a Camorina Corporation, | |
| 13 | Plaintiff, | [Assigned to Magistrate Judge Alex G. Tse; |
| 14 | V. | Magistrate Judge Thomas S. Hixson; and presiding Judge William Alsup] |
| 15 | RUIFENG BIZTECH INC., a | presiding Judge William Alsupj |
| 16 | California corporation, GANGYOU | |
| | WANG, an individual, ALEX | |
| 17 | WONG, an individual, ALAN LI, an individual, RUI SHAO, an | |
| 18 | individual, and RF BIOTECH LLC, | OBJECTION TO THE COURT'S PREJUDICIAL 'ORDER AWARDING |
| 19 | a California limited liability | SANCTIONS' DATED JUNE 05, 2023 |
| 20 | company, | , |
| 21 | Defendants. | |
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| 26 | TO THE HONORABLE COURT, ALL PARTIES, AND ATTORNEYS OF RECORD, HEREIN: | |
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NOTICE

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that Defense Counsel RESHMA KAMATH will NOT be paying the sanctions in the prejudicial 'ORDER AWARDING SANCTIONS' dated June 5, 2023 precisely for the following reasons:

- 1. No such notice was presented to the Defense Counsel re this sanctions Order based on any opportunity to be heard. A due process violation under the Fifth Amendment United States Constitution by Judge Hixson and a further biased order under Cal. *Cod. Civ. Proc.* Sections 170.1, 170.3 and 170.6 *et seq.* and the Judicial Canon of Ethics;
 - 2. No Opposition opportunity was presented by the Court;
- 3. The Court has misstated the facts in its alleged 'ORDER', i.e., "Defense counsel's response to the OSC was due May 4, 2023. Plaintiff's counsel filed a responsive declaration on May 1, itemizing \$5,096.61 is attorneys' fees and costs to attend the April 26 in-person settlement conference. ECF No. 298. Defense counsel filed a response to the OSC ("Response") on May 4. ECF No. 302."

The Defense Counsel's timely-submitted response to the OSC dated May 04, 2023 was the possibility of Judge Hixson's \$100 sanction award.

There was no opportunity by the Judge Hixson, and/or Judge Alsup to write any Opposition to Plaintiff's Counsel, James Li's Responsive Declaration, misstated by Judge Hixson – when in actuality, "Affidavit" was filed by Plaintiff's Counsel, James Li;

4. The Court is awarding sanctions based on the Court's own mistakes, and that of its staff. The Court's clerical errors and bias is not the basis for frivolous sanctions promulgating, sympathizing, and garnering excuses for the boys' club;

5. Sanctions must be awarded to Defendants Ruifeng *et al* as well for the **last-minute cancellation of May 05, 2023 SETTLEMENT CONFERENCE, i.e., on May 04, 2023 one-day prior to**, when Plaintiffs' Counsel James Li wrote a declaration with no evidence attached that COVID-19 was inflicted on him. Yet, this is a common excuse in the Courts for the past three years. During the scheduling conference, Plaintiffs' Counsel James Li was available within a day or two of allegedly getting COVID-19 (Judge Hixson did not record this hearing smartly); again, with no evidence provided prior from James Li. Anything produced going forward should not be considered. This is only gamesmanship and bad-faith on the part of Plaintiffs' Counsel, James Li, that Judge Hixson seems to have sympathy for in forgetting his duties as a judicial officer in California courts.

There were four other attorneys, atleast, from Plaintiff's Counsel, James Li's attorney(s) of record. Any of them could have attended. Yet, Judge Hixson, in his prejudicial misogyny, and boys' club attitude, re-scheduled literally at around 5 p.m. PDT on May 4, 2023, the entire SETTLEMENT CONFERENCE on May 5, 2023. This is only prejudice and bias.

6. Sanctions must be awarded to Defendants Ruifeng et al as well for Plaintiff's Counsel James Li's last-minute cancellation of May 5, 2023 SETTLEMENT

CONFERENCE, i.e., on May 04, 2023 one-day prior to, when Defense Counsel had driven all the way from Arizona; had lodging close to the SF Court; and, had to stay in downtown Bay Area until the re-scheduled SETTLEMENT CONFERENCE date was met. Defense also incurred costs over \$6,000 for this purpose.

7. Finally, Defendants noticed that Judge Hixson's attitude towards Plaintiff's Counsel, James Li, was incredibly biased and prejudicial. (Cal. *Cod. Civ. Proc.* sections 170.1; 170.3 and 170.6 *et seq.*). Thus, the Court's awarding sanctions again shows prejudice, and misogyny. Defense counsel will NOT pay such prejudicial sanctions. Judge Hixson could have ordered any of the Plaintiff's Counsel, James Li's other attorneys of record to appear on May 05, 2023 – yet. Judge Hixson did not. This is particularly targeted towards Counsel Reshma Kamath that the judicial officers, such as Judge Hixson, with bias and prejudice are attacking minority women in the profession who do not have white, and/or male lawyers as part of the law firms. The Salem Witch Hunt towards minority women in the legal profession, and to those of Indian-descent is quite visible in Judge Hixson's Order.

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DATED: June 5, 2023 / St. Reshma Kamath

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